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	EL SALVADOR:	Guerrillas Overrun Army Outpost	25X1 25X1
		The surprise attack by insurgents in El Salvador early yesterday —morning, which resulted in the death of a US military adviser, revealed continuing deficiencies in the Army's security practices.	23X1 25X′
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		Salvadoran guerrillas used small arms, mortars, and explosives to attack an Army brigade headquarters in El Paraiso, which is near the rebel base areas in northern El Salvador. One US military trainer and	0574
		64 Salvadoran troops were killed	25X1_ 225X1
		79 others were wounded. The military is denying press- reports that the brigade commander and his deputy are among the	25X´
·		dead. Only seven insurgent deaths have been confirmed so far.	25 X 1
		After two diversionary attacks, the guerrillas—apparently aided by infiltrators inside the camp—broke through the perimeter and used satchel charges to destroy several barracks and the brigade	
		command post, which housed US personnel and brigade officers.	
		could not fire on the insurgents without risking hitting government	
, 1 . ·		troops. Defending troops were able to push the guerrillas out of the camp, but the fighting continued until the rebels fled at dawn	25X1
		Comment: In their first major assault on Army installations in that area since 1983, the insurgents fulfilled a longstanding objective by killing a Θ military trainer in the field. As in previous successes, the guerrillas caught the Army offguard, which suggests that adequate government reconnaissance patrols had probably not been deployed.	25X1
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IRAQ-US:	Criticism of US Policy	
	Harsh criticism of US Persian Gulf policy by Iraqi Foreign Minister Aziz underscores Baghdad's frustration with, and suspicion of, US policy in the region.	25X1 25X1
	Aziz used his recent interview published in the ruling Ba'th Party's official newspaper to make his first public attack on Washington since the disclosures of US arms sales to Iran in early November. He branded US willingness to escort Kuwaiti ships through the Strait of Hormuz to protect them against Iran's Chinese-supplied Silkworm missiles as a scheme to defuse the Iran arms issue and to promote US	25X1
	The Foreign Minister charged that the US has violated the arms embargo against Iran and turned a blind eye to Western efforts to avert a UN Security Council resolution that would force Tehran to end the war or face international sanctions. Aziz said that, to prove itself serious about ending the war, the US would have to press its allies to stem the flow of arms to Iran and lobby for a UN Security Council	25X1
	Comment: These remarks by Aziz reflect the views of Iraqi President Saddam Husayn and demonstrate Baghdad's deep-seated suspicions of the US. Saddam sees the absence of a UN Security Council resolution as evidence of a US tilt toward Iran. Relations between	25 X 1

Baghdad and Washington could become worse, but Iraq is likely to exercise restraint because it values US support for a negotiated end

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ZIMBABWE:	Movement Toward One-Party State	
	Prime Minister Mugabe, to avoid fanning popular discontent while the economy is declining, is proceeding cautiously toward the creation of a one-party state.	25X1 25X1 25X1
•	Mugabe's ruling party plans to introduce a motion in Parliament next week that would eliminate the 20 legislative seats reserved for whites according to press reports. He had been constrained from acting until now because the country's constitution, which came into effect with the granting of independence in April 1980, had forbidden any move	25X1
	to alter the status of those seats for seven years. Mugabe also continues to encourage talks aimed at merging his ruling Zimbabwe African National Union with rival black opposition leader Joshua Nkomo's Zimbabwe African People's Union, according	25X1
	The Zimbassy in Harare. The Zimbassy in Harare. The Zimbabwean economy will contract by at least 3 percent this year because of drought and a severe lack of foreign exchange, according to the Embassy. Food shortages might affect as many as 1 million people. The government has had to reduce foreign exchange	25X1 25X1
	allocations to private businesses by as much as 40 percent.	25X1
	Comment: The proposals to eliminate the 20 seats reserved for whites and to merge the two major black parties are consistent with Mugabe's longstanding goal of creating a one-party state. The white population, which numbers about 100,000, has long expected this initiative to end the reserving of seats on a racial basis and is not likely to pose strong opposition. Mugabe will continue to move gradually toward a one-party state, however, in order to avoid further antagonizing the economically vital white community and the Ndebele-speaking people, who make up the bulk of Nkomo's support.	2574
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	Zimbabwe's economic difficulties stem in part from Mugabe's efforts to boost spending on education and health rapidly. Moreover, rising transport costs for imports and the expense of maintaining more than 5,000 troops in Mozambique have aggravated Harare's foreign exchange problem. Food shortages, particularly in Nkomo's stronghold in southwestern Zimbabwe—where the drought is severe—will almost certainly add to popular discontent there and	
•	make it difficult for the major black parties to unite.	25X1 25X1



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	NICARAGUA: Rebels Destroy Road Construction Unit		25X1
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	Nicaraguan insurgents have destroyed a road construction camp run	7	0EV4
	by the Sandinista military north of San Jose de Bocay Trucks, bulldozers, and road graders were		25X1
	burned, and a large amount of materiel—including 24 AK-47		25 X 1
	automatic rifles, a machinegun, and an SA-7 missile—was captured.		
•	The rebels identified two Sandinista officers and 11 soldiers among		
	those killed		25 X 1
	Comment: Contra commanders have been concerned for several		
•	weeks that Sandinista efforts to extend roads northward in the Rio		
	Bocay Valley pose a threat to their primary infiltration route. The road		
	construction site destroyed was also near several recent aerial		
	resupply drops to the rebels. Their apparent success in the highly		
	militarized Rio Bocay Valley suggests Managua will have to commit		
	additional forces to challenge the insurgents' presence in that area.		25 X 1
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	The Honduran Government probably will face intense pressure by		
	labor unions to take over a major mine—the third-largest US		
·	investment in Honduras—that will be closed later this month by its		
	owner. The mine has been plagued by bitter labor disputes,		
	depressed world prices for silver and zinc, and substantial operating losses, and the owner has been unable to find a private buyer. Its		
	closure would reduce Honduran export earnings by \$25 million—		
	2 percent of the total—and affect the livelihood of more than		
	22,000 people. Company officials fear that labor leaders linked to		
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	-Embassy.		25 X 1
	Comment: A permanent shutdown of the mine would damage the		
	slow-growing Honduran economy and generate public criticisms of		
	President Azcona for failing to protect workers. Despite government		
	concern about losing revenue and jobs, however, Tegucigalpa lacks		
•	the capital and expertise needed to operate the mine and is reluctant to seize it. Although some militant workers probably will resort to		
	violence, they are unlikely to attract widespread support. The closing		
•	of the mine, in the wake of two widely publicized strikes last year,		
	would be a setback for organized labor and might discourage labor		
·	unrest in other industries.		25 X 1

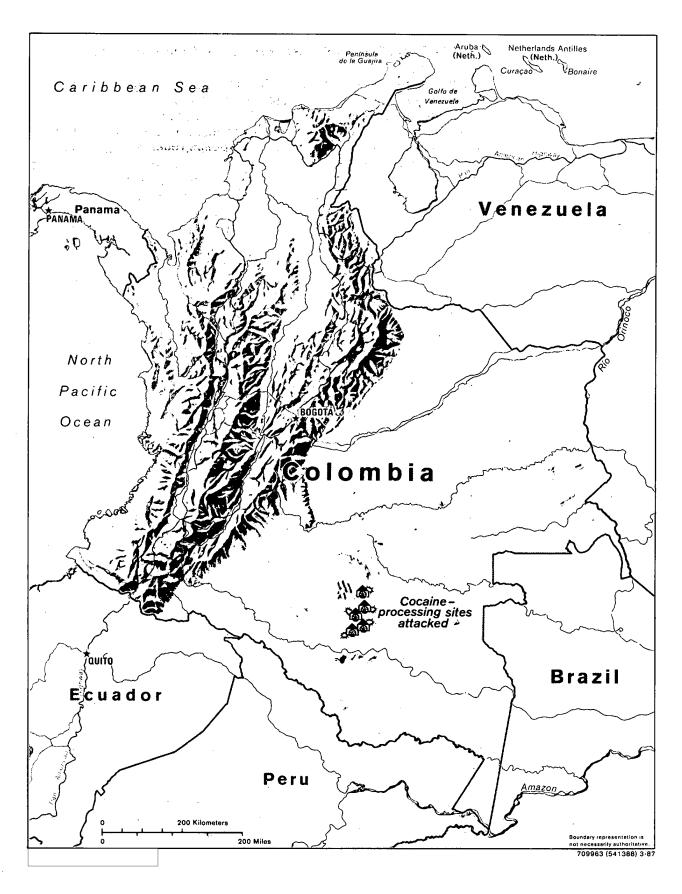
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SIERRA LEONE: Momoh's Opportunity in Failed Coup Plot	25 X 1
Sierra Leonean President Momoh's poor public image may be helped following the abortive assassination plot by former police superintendent Kaikai last week. About 45 people, including	20/(1
noncommissioned officers and enlisted men, have been arrested so far, according to press and US Embassy reporting. Momoh has declared there was no organized military support for the conspirators, and senior Army officers have professed their loyalty to the government, according to press reports. Many Sierra Leoneans reportedly believe that such publicly discredited figures as former President Stevens, First Vice President Minah, and a prominent	25X1
Comment: Kaikai has long been closely associated with Stevens, Minah, and the Lebanese businessman, all of whom are at least partly blamed for the country's economic decline. If Momoh fails to demonstrate strong leadership by firing Minah or launching a belated crackdown on illegal business activities, his remaining civilian and military support probably will evaporate quickly. The participation of lower ranking Army personnel in the plot suggests that enlisted men, who have been particularly hard hit by the economic decline, may be more eager than their superiors to see a change in government.	25X^
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SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA: Libyan Reprisals Feared	X _{25X1}
Moderate African leaders who support Chadian President Habre are increasingly apprehensive that Libya will retaliate for recent embarrassments in Chad by ordering terrorist attacks against their regimes and against French and US facilities in their countries. The US Embassy in Bamako reports that the local Libyan People's Bureau has attempted to obtain copies of the layouts of the Embassy and of	
French installations in Mali. Libyan-trained terrorists in the Central African Republic have been ordered to sabotage government and French installations; Senegalese authorities expect Libyan reprisals for President Diouf's condemnation of Tripoli's activities in Chad.	25X1
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Comment: Tripoli may seek to hit US and French targets in other parts of the world as well as in Sub-Saharan Africa, where	7
inadequately trained security services will inhibit efforts to block Libyan-sponsored reprisals. Over the short term, Benin is likely to remain a conduit for terrorists infiltrating west and central African countries, despite President	25X′ 25X′
Kerekou's assurances that he intends to curb Libyan activities.	25X1

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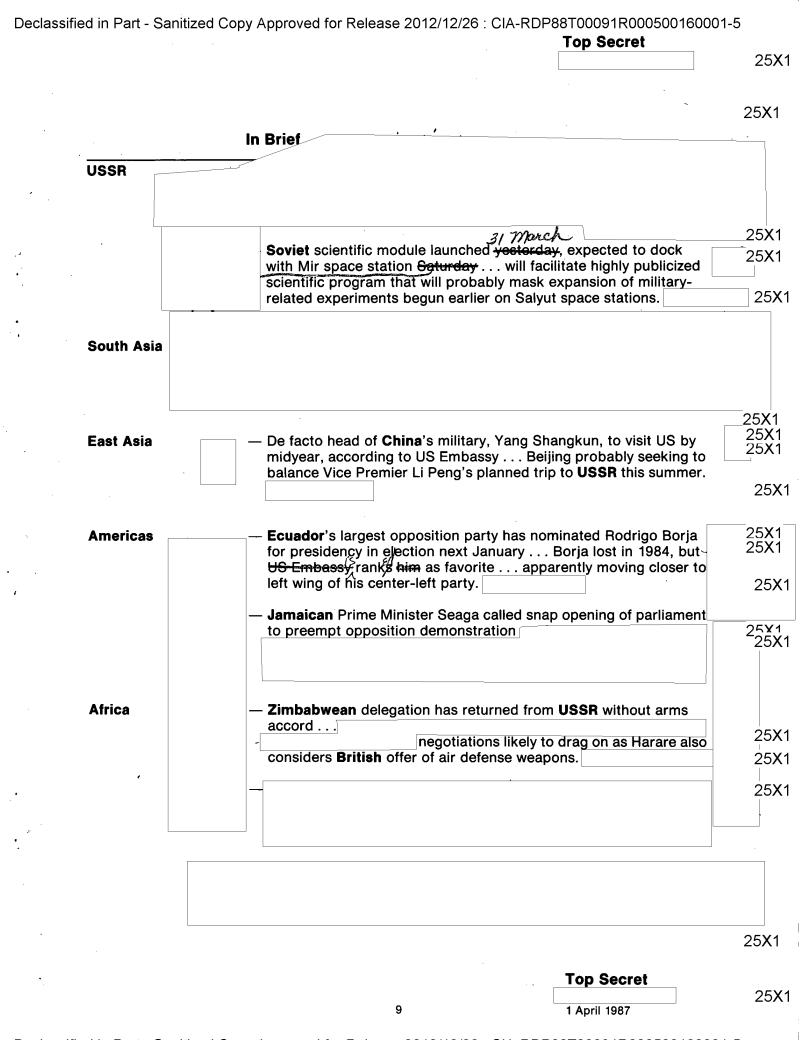


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		COLOMBIA: Cocaine Laboratory Raid Colombian President Barco is trying to maintain pressure on drug traffickers without provoking a major clash with the insurgents	25X1 25X1 25X1 25X1
,		involved in drug production. Narcotics police recently staged a series of helicopter raids against a suspected cocaine-processing complex in the southeastern jungle, according to the US Embassy-in-Bogota. The police, operating without military assistance, attacked five sites with homemade bombs and small-arms fire. Although three sites returned fire, the police did not attempt to secure the complex by	25X1
•		means of a ground assault.	25X1
		Comment: Barco recently assured La Embassy officials that no part of Colombia is off limits to antidrug operations, but he has ordered top police officials not to employ ground assaults against cocaine labs. The tactic may be intended to facilitate police drug raids when military support is not available as well as to avoid confrontations with insurgents; earlier this year, Bogota twice postponed a planned military operation against a suspected rebel-associated laboratory. The damage police forces can inflict, however, will be limited until they are able to conduct ground assaults to make arrests and to verify	``.
		laboratory destructions.	25 X 1
·		WEST GERMANY: Problems With Agricultural Policy Bonn is increasingly reluctant to tackle agricultural reforms either at	X _{25X1}
·		home or in the West European context because of sharp domestic criticism of its failure to protect West German farm income under the EC's Common Agricultural Policy. Rural support for the governing Christian Democratic Union/Christian Social Union dropped in January's national election, and the generally placid West German farmers have demonstrated in recent weeks against Bonn's EC agricultural policy. Large protests are scheduled to occur today in	
		Bonn and Munich.	25X1
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•		drive Bonn—for the short term at least—to increase domestic subsidies and to block plans that would reduce farm incomes. The global debate over agricultural reforms, however, is intensifying divisions within the Kohl government over the growing cost of agricultural policy and could ultimately lead to a more flexible West	
		German attitude.	25 X 1
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	LEBANON: Amal Trying To Recoup Losses	X _{25X1}
	Embattled Shia Amal leader Barri is seeking to strengthen his authority by ordering increased attacks against the Israeli-backed Army of South Lebanon. The US Embassy in Beirut reports, however, that Amal's former military commander in the south, Daud Daud, continues to challenge Barri's supremacy.	25X1
	Comment: Barri's latest moves to increase his support in the south almost certainly will fail. Although Daud Daud has officially resigned his post, he controls large segments of the south. Any change in Barri's political fortunes will depend on his ability to regain Daud's complete backing. Iranian overtures to Amal are aimed at increasing Tehran's leverage over the Shia community.	25X1
	NORDIC STATES: Studying Nuclear-Weapons-Free Zone	X25X1
	Last week's decision by the Nordic Foreign Ministers to create a high-level working group on a nuclear-weapons-free zone was designed to satisfy domestic proponents while decreasing the chance of establishing such a zone. Officials from Iceland and Norway have pointed out that the joint study will probably last two or three years and grapple with such troublesome issues as Soviet nuclear weapons on the Kola Peninsula and the zone's incompatibility with NATO obligations.	
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	Comment: The establishment of a zone is indeed unlikely. The decision to set up the working group, however, could backfire by appearing to build momentum instead of slowing it. Moreover, NATO consideration of short-range nuclear weapons deployments or greater emphasis on nuclear-capable submarines in Nordic waters could reignite public activism for the zone.	25.74
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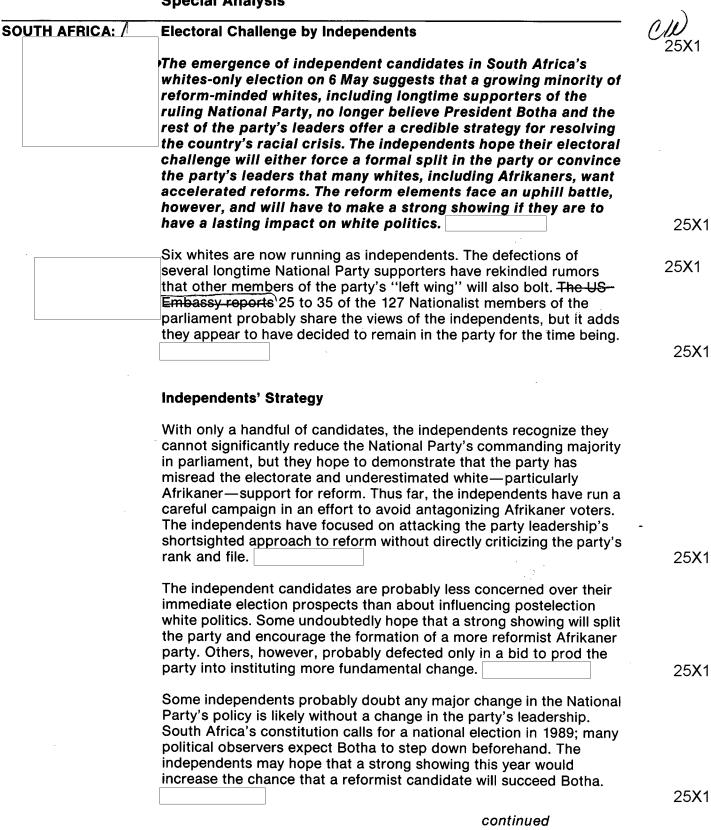
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WESTERN EUROPE:	Push for Closer Security Cooperation	
	Some West European leaders, concerned about possible US troop reductions in Europe and a zero-zero INF agreement, have renewed calls for closer West European coordination on security matters. These anxieties will continue to spur Allied governments to broaden their security dialogue, particularly on arms control, but procedural difficulties and national differences	
	will limit effective coordination.	25 X 1
	Most NATO governments fear that a zero-zero INF agreement would make the Soviets' shorter range missiles even more important and lead to the denuclearization of Europe, a move that would increase the threat from Soviet conventional forces and produce a "decoupling" of the US from West European defense. Recent calls by some former US officials to cut US troop levels in Europe have heightened West European concerns over the strength of the US defense commitment. As a result, the British, French, and West Germans have recently shown a greater willingness to consult informally on security issues with each other as well as in larger	
	forums such as the Western European Union. Looking for a Forum	25X1
	Most Allies favor the WEU for formal discussions of security issues. In a recent Brussels speech, for example, UK Foreign Secretary Howe said that the Reykjavik meeting and the prospect of an INF agreement underline the need for close European consultations in a forum such as the WEU. Howe stressed that NATO would remain the decisionmaking body for defense matters and that closer consultations would make Western Europe a better partner in the Alliance. He nonetheless added that West Europeans should coordinate views on security so that their concerns be understood and taken into account by both the US and the USSR.	25 X 1
4	Howe's comments also reflect broader West European anxieties over a perceived change in US attitudes about European defense. He pointed to economic and trade disputes, the growing importance of the Pacific and other regions to the US, and "burden-sharing pressures" in Washington as weakening the transatlantic consensus. Howe argued that efforts to strengthen defense cooperation in forums such as the WEU could help to convince US skeptics of Western Europe's commitment to a strong defense and prevent a reduction of	
	the US contribution to the endeavor.	25 X 1

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C Commission President Delors last month proposed a special C security summit to formulate a common response to General Secretary Gorbachev's recent INF proposal. Despite increased ecurity consultations within the EC since Reykjavik, most EC nembers' leaders have responded coolly to this proposal by Delors and indicate that such discussions belong in the more restrictive WEU environment.	25X1
The national leaders argue that the EC's charter limits the Community of discussing only the political and economic aspects of security, and they point to the bureaucratic and coordination problems posed by the membership of neutral Ireland and by Danish and Greek ensitivities on nuclear issues. Belgian Prime Minister Martens, sowever, is investigating the possibility of a meeting of West European states outside the EC framework, and EC Foreign Ministers	
probably will discuss arms control and the INF negotiations at their afformal meeting in Brussels this weekend.	25 X 1
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lational rivalries, divergent interests, and concern about the US eaction will hinder efforts by the Allies to expand their security	25V4
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still, the comprehensive nature of the Reykjavik proposals and the erception that an INF accord could weaken West European defenses are sustaining Allied interest in broadening defense consultations—specially bilaterally and in the WEU context. Although such onsultations could reaffirm Allied support for NATO security policies, ney could also challenge the US leadership role.	25 X 1
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The independents already appear to have had some impact on the succession by raising questions about the prospects of the two front-runners, Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning Chris Heunis and Home Affairs Minister F. W. De Klerk. Heunis is being challenged by independent Denis Worrall, the former South African Ambassador to the UK; some US Embassy sources claim that the prospects for Heunis may already have been dealt a mortal blow. De Klerk—generally viewed as a candidate of the conservative wing of the party—has responded to the independents by softening his rhetoric and by admitting the party has made mistakes on the reform issue.

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Dealing With the English Opposition

The Progressive Federal Party, which had been caught offguard by the independent movement, has decided not to run candidates against the six independents or even against some reformist Nationalist candidates. The Progressives' strategy appears to be based on a belief that more Nationalists will break with the party if the Progressives create the impression that they and the other reformers are the best representatives of the country's long-term interests.

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For their part, the independents have kept the Progressives at arm's length, even though their views on reform are similar. According to the Embassy, the independents recognize that the Progressives' English-speaking, middle- to upper-class image makes their party unacceptable to many Afrikaners. Many Afrikaners now joke that the REP stands for "Packing for Perth," a reference to the emigration of English-speaking whites from South Africa to Australia.

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Outlook

The Worrall-Heunis race is generally viewed as a bellwether for the independents' prospects. A victory or even a strong showing by Worrall is likely to be interpreted as proof that the independents are more than a political aberration, encouraging them to press ahead with their challenge to the ruling party.

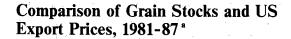
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Significant gains by the independents and the Progressives, particularly among Afrikaner voters, will embolden those reformminded Nationalists who have remained in the party to seek further reform. If the party's leadership rebuffs such demands, a formal split will probably be inevitable. A poor showing by the independents, however, would reduce domestic pressures on Pretoria to speed the process of change.

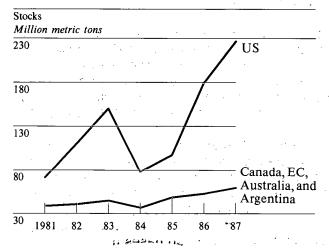
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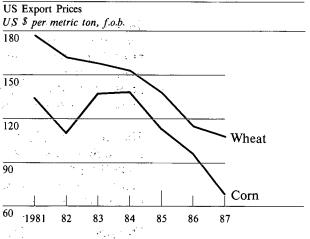
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stocks even if trade increased moderately. The US is not likely to regain its once dominant share of the world market any time soon because of the aggressive sales strategies of competitors, heavy EC wheat subsidies, and relatively low-priced feedwheat from Canada and Australia.

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